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NASA ASTRONAUT CLAYTON ANDERSON AND TOM OSBORNE TO ADDRESS GOVERNOR'S
CONFERENCE ON COMMUNITY SERVICE

Omaha, NE – The Nebraska Volunteer Service Commission (NVSC) will host the 16th annual Governor's Conference on Community Service on March 31 – April 1 at the Holiday Inn Omaha Convention Center, 3321 S. 72nd St. The Commission has pulled out all the stops in 2008 to bring Nebraska national service members, non-profit executives, business leaders, educators and volunteers a Conference that aspires to embody the theme, "Emerging Ideas – Innovation for Nebraska".

NASA Astronaut Clayton Anderson, former Flight Engineer for the International Space Station and Ashland, Nebraska native will kick things off on Monday, March 31 with an inspiring reflection of his life in service to the United States and career with NASA. Henry Lozano, Deputy Assistant to President Bush and Director of USA Freedom Corps will provide opening remarks about the "Future of Volunteerism".

Workshop sessions follow throughout the day, culminating with an awards dinner from 6:30 – 8:30 pm hosted by First Lady Sally Ganem, and emceed by KFAB Radio personality Gary Sadlemyer. The First Lady will honor Nebraska volunteers with the annual First Lady's Outstanding Community Service Awards and new Impact Awards.

Husker Athletic Director Dr. Tom Osborne will provide opening remarks on Monday, April 1, with a keynote address at 9:00 am. Osborne will also help the NVSC unveil an exciting and innovative new operating name and logo – ServeNebraska – that better encompasses the extent of the work the NVSC does to inspire community service all over Nebraska.

Additional breakout and networking sessions around topics such as youth mentoring, community disaster preparedness, marketing, business and corporate volunteerism and the humanities will round out the Conference.

For more information about the 2008 Governor's Conference on Community Service, the Nebraska Volunteer Service Commission, or honoring Nebraska volunteers, please visit www.nvsc.ne.gov.

The Nebraska Volunteer Service Commission mobilizes Nebraskans to strengthen their communities through volunteering, collaboration, and national service programs.

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